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LSUS student enrollment down

Sherita Holden

Recent studies show a staggering decline in enrollment throughout the state.

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Gloria Raines, Ph.D. suggests that many factors, such as tough admission standards, a decline in high school graduate rates, and stress of displacement from hurricanes Katrina & Rita are probable causes of the low numbers. College campus coordinators are examining other reasons why students aren't participating in local higher education programs.

Many out of state institutions are offering more scholarships with larger amounts than Louisiana institutions. Texas, as well as other surrounding states, is expanding their programs encouraging families and students to migrate for educational needs.

Mickey Diez, dean of Enrollment Services & Registrar, reports LSUS enrollment at 3,960 students nearly a two percent decrease from Fall 2006. The report demonstrates a 1.61 percent increase of first-time freshmen, transfer, and re-entry students on the undergraduate' page 5

Governor candidates visit LSUS

Justin Tison

Last Thursday LSUS hosted the Northwest Louisiana Gubernatorial Forum, an event that held important implications for our school and the area as a whole. The top four candidates in the race to become Louisiana's new governor, Walter Boasso, D, John Georges, I, Foster Campbell, D, and Bobby Jindal, R, sat down in the UC auditorium with members of the local media and answered questions regarding important issues facing Northwest Louisiana and

LSUS itself. The questions covered a myriad of topics ranging from the completion of I-49, taxes and financing government, the new Cyber Command Center in Bossier City, and the future of LSUS including its Ph.D. program aspirations.

Although LSUS's needs for Ph.D. programs and increased state involvement was raised, most of the attention for the university was drawn from questions regarding the Cyber Command Center and the importance of higher education in the area as it continues to grow economically. The candidates generally agreed that the entire state has a

need for LSUS to offer degree programs that can educate our community in a more specialized way.

John Georges, who touted his experience in business, higher education, and other

funds need to be given to LSUS to develop its educational programs and to help LSUS become a major player in the state's higher education system.

Bobby Jindal, current U.S. Representative for Louisiana, said we need to "take politics out of higher education."

Jindal said he would like to see all the state's universities begin to implement more programs specialized in academic concentrations that are the most relevant to the communities in which they are located. Jindal stated that he believed the states higher education system spreads itself too thin with too many "repeat offerings" in degree programs that do not allow Louisiana's colleges to "specialize in degrees" for their students.

Foster Campbell stated that he would "fully fund LSUS for higher degree programs including Ph.D. and others."

Rarely deviating from his campaign platform, Campbell offered his experience with the Shreveport community and the needs of the people here as the reason he deserves the votes of the local community.



Boasso, Campbell, Georges, Jindal
Photo by: Rod Dragon

leadership positions including the Louisiana Board of Regents, said he believed that our economy in northwest Louisiana and the state as a whole is ready for LSUS "to be a big time college" that can offer higher, more specialized degrees to its students and community.

Walter Boasso, state legislator and business owner, said it is time to "break the bonds of the Board of Regents" and give LSUS full funding for Ph.D. programs.

Boasso also said he wanted to consolidate the medical and research fields in the area into one centralized location to be housed through LSUS. He believes more

Mathematical Art Jessica Clinton

Who knew math could be a beautiful thing? To many students, math is anything but beautiful, but Dean of Sciences and mathematics professor, Paul Sisson Ph.D., is out to change their minds.

Sisson's office is full of these special kinds of graphics all based on mathematical equations. A collection of his mathematical artwork was on display at a local restaurant and scored him a feature spot in the "Living" section of the Shreveport Times which he proudly displays along with additional mathematical art pieces in a conference room in the science building. To look at these images, which are a combination of vibrant, colorful, and often times tubular swirls and patterns, it is hard to believe they have any mathematical basis. However, when asked about what he sees when he looks at the images he has created, Dr. Sisson said he can see the mathematical equation behind each image.

So how is it done? All of the images in Sisson's collection are based on complex numbers or numbers that are made up of a real number part and an imaginary' page 5

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"an all white jury hides the executioner's face..."

-Jena, by John Mellencamp-

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Psychedelic rock stars re-release debut album

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Editorial**Big Brother's Twisted Sister****Jordan Ford**

Space... the final frontier. On December 7, 2005, Secretary of the Air Force Michael W. Wynne and Chief of Staff of the Air Force General T. Michael Moseley announced that cyber space is an official domain of the United States Air Force. To conquer and control this domain Top Brass would need a new state-of-the-art military joint operation, which would include all branches of the military that would encompass all aspects of air, space, and cyberspace. The military's answer to this new threat... Cyber Command.

On Sept. 18, at a celebration of the Air Force's 60th birthday, Air Force Secretary Wynne announced that Barksdale Air Force Base would be the official headquarters of the "provisional" Cyber Command.

"To ensure our success in this domain, we are standing up a new command... and we wish it well," Wynne said. The command, headed by General Bob Elder, is scheduled to be completed in October of 2009, and a final decision is to be made next June.

Cyber Command's task is, "to deliver the full spectrum of effects we will evolve a coherent enterprise, with war-fighting ethos, ready to execute any mission in peace, crisis and war," General Moseley said. "We will foster a force of 21st century warriors, capable of delivering the full spectrum of kinetic and non-kinetic, lethal and non-lethal effects across all three domains. This is why we are starting up an operational command for cyber-space, capable of functioning as a supported or supporting component of the joint force."

It will be the most technologically advanced arm of the military's might. This United States Strategic Command headquarters will be responsible for early detection and warning systems, and defense against long range missile attacks. It also will be in charge of protecting U.S. sovereignty by defending the nation from attacks on its electronic and information systems, along with the offensive capability to attack enemy computer and communications systems.

This means the new Air Force cyber command would generate thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in revenue for the state of Louisiana. It will be a major boost for the states economy. The future is now, and the first battle of any future war is going to be for command of air, space, and cyberspace.

Response from the Editor**Chris Gray**

I would like to apologize for the response to the letter to the editor, from myself last week in the paper. Yes I made a mistake by using the faculty advisors E-mail response to Mr. Baker. I should have responded with a genuine answer and not in the way I did. I am just a student, and this is my first time undertaking a role with such great responsibility. I made a mistake.

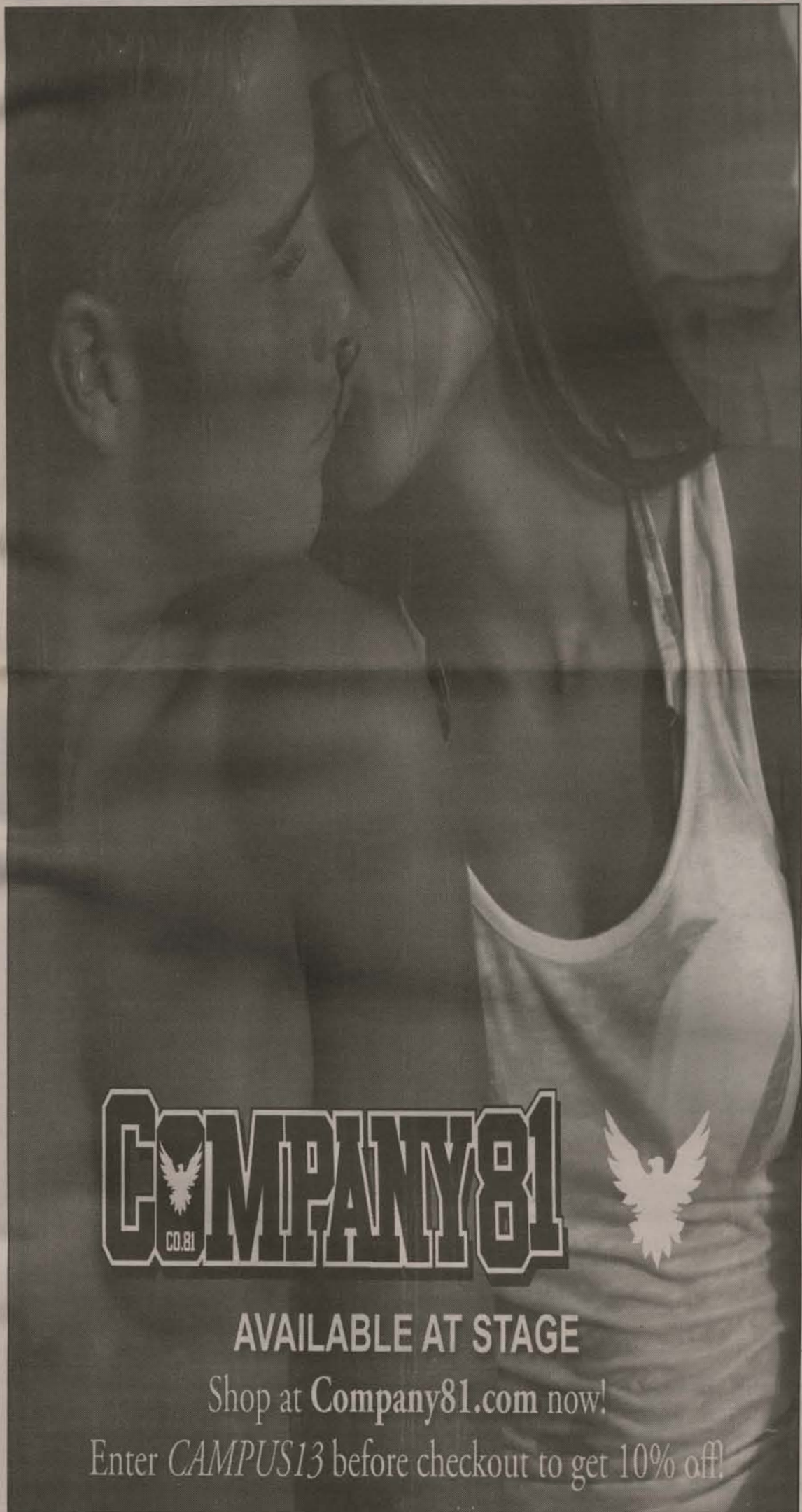
I would like to tell everyone who reads the paper we are happy and excited that you are reading our work. I am not happy or excited about the fact that all I ever hear from some people are negatives. We bust our humps every week to put a paper together that people will enjoy reading. I have heard everything from "choice phrases" to quips like "the paper must be run by a bunch of clowns."

If you have a comment about the paper whether it is negative or positive feel free to respond via our E-MAIL. We would also like to thank spellchecker who gave us a beautiful paper full of edits in pink pen, Spellchecker if you would like to work for the paper please come by and see me otherwise send all comments to the Almagest E-MAIL.

The Almagest has had a bumpy start this semester and all of us here are trying to adjust, adapt, and over-come. We just want to write quality news and have a quality publication that we can take pride in. We are all new to our positions, and while trying to discover ourselves in our line of work we will make mistakes. We will correct those mistakes as ethically, quickly, and correctly as possible

Sincerely
Chris Gray
Editor in Chief

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New class targets racism

Leslie Rodriguez

Next semester, a new class in the form of a symposium will take place at LSUS. Different disciplines will come together to give students a new perspective on racism. The symposium will be an innovative project for LSUS.

Several teachers from the Department of History and Social Sciences will take part in the class which promises to be both educational and interesting. According to Michael Leggiere Ph. D., associate professor of history and chair of the department, the idea behind the symposium is to offer a course where all disciplines can give their perspective on a modern issue: racism.

"The course will not be focused only on black and white race issues," Leggiere said.

"In Louisiana we only see one version of racism and we are not aware of how complex it truly is," said Kyle Thomas, senior, history.

Thomas said he thought the symposium would be a good starting point for LSUS to raise awareness among students on the subject of racism.

Different instructors will talk about different subjects every week. Cheryl White Ph. D., instructor of history and social sciences, will talk about the intellectual origins of anti-Semitism in early Christianity during a lecture titled "Christ Killers." Blake Dunnavent, associate professor of history and social sciences, will discuss wartime racism in his lecture. "Racism in the U.S Military during the Vietnam War." Leggiere's lecture will be titled "Global Perspective on Genocide."

The class will be offered Monday afternoons in the spring semester. It can be found under SOCL 490, CJ 490, POLI 490, and GS 490. Any student will be able to take it without prerequisites. It will not include tests, but there will be written assignments due every Friday based on the lectures given. "It will be a very hands-on class," Leggiere said, "Students will watch movies and guests speakers will be welcomed."

Bookstore helps students front the bill

Jordan Ford

There's tuition, administrative fees, school supplies and much more, but one of the more expensive aspects of college is the textbooks. That's why the LSUS Pilot Bookstore is lending a helping hand.

The campus bookstore is your one stop shop for textbooks and supplies. According to the bookstore, their mission "is to be a convenient and efficient source for educational purchases, at a reasonable and competitive price for textbooks, school supplies and other services related to campus life."

"We mark our books down 7 to 15 percent less than the average bookstore and we do not incorporate shipping either which is another way that we save for our students because we exist for our students," LeAnne VanRegenmorter, Assistant Director of the Pilot Bookstore said.

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Quest for Truth

Do you struggle to reconcile the conflict between science and faith?
Would you like to learn how to integrate science and scripture?
Who can give us the answer in our ongoing Quest for Truth?

Join us Thursday, October 11, 2007 at the
LSUS Science Lecture Auditorium from 6 to 8 P.M.



Our speaker, Dr. Jeff Zweerink passionately desires to understand how the worlds of science and Scripture integrate. He recalls the struggles he faced when his scientific studies seemed to collide with his early Biblical training. His involvement with Reasons to Believe grows from an enthusiasm for helping others bridge the perceived science-faith gap and avoid some of the difficulties he experiences.

Dr. Jeff Zweerink is a staff scholar for the ministry, Reasons to Believe. He comes from the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) where he still serves on the physics and astronomy research faculty.

Sponsored by the Shreveport Chapter of Reasons to Believe. shreveport@reasons.org

Evening Schedule:
6:00pm-6:45pm - "Neutron Stars, Black Holes, Gamma Rays - oh My"
6:45pm-7:00pm - Reception for Dr. Zweerink
7:00pm-8:00pm - "Isn't Science Telling us we Don't Need God?"



Attendance policy update

Joe Hayes

I already talked several times this year about changes that we're trying to make to the attendance policy here at LSUS. You probably don't know that our first step in the process was putting together a group of four Senators who have been working for the last five weeks or so to put together a more student-friendly version of the whole thing to be presented to the administration and faculty. We're hoping to present a students' version to the administration and faculty within the next week.

In the mean time, today I received a draft version of a new attendance policy from Stuart Mills, Ph.D. Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs. Together with the Council of Deans, Mills has put together an idea of what they would like our new attendance policy to look like. It's not bad. Don't get me wrong, there are still some places where we could do better. First, the wording doesn't preclude basing grades on attendance. That's the basis of a great deal of my Presidency, so I can tell you that might be a sticking point for the SGA. It comes very close though, and I'm very encouraged that the administration has heard the voice of the students on this issue. Keep checking back for updates! See you in class.

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enrollment cont'

ate level compared to fall 2006. However, this semester continuing student rates dropped more than 6 percent.

Raines said that LSUS has anticipated the change in student population and has taken preventative measures to counteract the problem. The Louisiana Board of Regents, through demographic research, predicted the decline and has spent over \$1 million in attempts to balance the falling numbers. Noel-Levits Corp was appointed in 2002 to oversee recruitment and retention efforts at LSUS and other institutions. With their help, LSUS has implemented several plans to improve student population.

"LSUS is committed to excellence and will continue to actively engage on solutions to the problem of low student enrollment," said Raines. "We are taking measures to improve faculty advising, retention, and recruiting."

math art cont'

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"Art and Mathematics do not often appear in the same sentence and many might struggle to relate the two concepts," says Sisson.

"To a mathematician, the connection is apparent and beautiful—it is my hope, with this artwork, to communicate the joy of both mathematics and art just a little bit."

Sisson is teaching a class this semester that involves students creating their own mathematical art.

Got spirit?

Jennifer Cook

The cheerleaders yell "2-4-6-8 who do we appreciate?" but as they turn to face the stands, they realize no one is there to yell back "Pilots!" Where is the school spirit fellow Pilots?

Why is it, the girl's soccer team is ranked number 2 in the GCAC conference, the boys basketball team is ranked number 2 in their division, the baseball team placed third in the NAIA World Series, and the women's basketball team has 3 of the 4 top scorers returning this season, and yet none of these teams can get support from the student body?

We have the talent and all the reasons to cheer, so why don't we?

"There is no unity at this school," said Ryan Laux, senior, kinesiology major.

Sophomore Travis Wallis said there are "not enough people" to have school spirit. Granted, LSUS is not as large as LSU-Baton Rouge or even Louisiana Tech, we do have reasons to cheer.

LSUS may not have a 5-0 football team, but there are still plenty of reasons to yell "Go Pilots!"



LSUS basketball in the Top Ten!

Dezi Mitchell

The Gulf Coast Athletic Conference released their 2007-08 men's and women's basketball preseason poll results as voted on by the league coaches. This

upcoming season has our men's team ranked second overall and our women's team ranked fourth overall.

The men's team finished last season with a 28-4

record, which ranked them third place in the conference.

Men's standout senior Josh Porter has been selected by The Sporting News as a Preseason NAIA 1st Team All-American for the second consecutive time. Porter has been issued a clean bill of health and will play this season after suffering a season-ending injury just seven games into the season. He received an extra year of eligibility due to his medical hardship.

The men's basketball season begins with a game against McNeese State Oct. 31 in Lake Charles. Centenary College will be the first home game on Nov. 6 at 7 p.m.

"We are excited about the quality schedule we have put together," said McDowell. "There is not one night that we can afford to not play our best game and

expect to win. Our non-conference schedule will be a good test for us, and the GCAC is as tough as ever. The team we have assembled along with our schedule will make for another exciting year."

Last year the Lady Pilots basketball team placed fourth in the GCAC with a 13-15 overall record. They have 5 new players and a junior college transfer to the 2007 recruiting class. This season's schedule highlights five NCAA Division I opponents with Centenary College, Lamar University, UL-Lafayette, and Northwestern State.

"We have put together probably the toughest non-

conference schedule we have had in five years," commented Howell. "The travel and the quality of opponents throughout November and December will certainly prepare us for an always tough GCAC slate."

The Lady Pilots first game is scheduled for Nov. 1 against McNeese State in Lake Charles, and their first home game is with Centenary on Nov. 6 at 5 p.m.

Men's Basketball: Home Games

Opponent	Date	Time
♦Jarvis Christian	11/12/2007	7:00p.m.
♦UT at Tyler	11/24/2007	3:00p.m.
♦Texas College	11/28/2007	7:00p.m.

Women's Basketball: Home Games

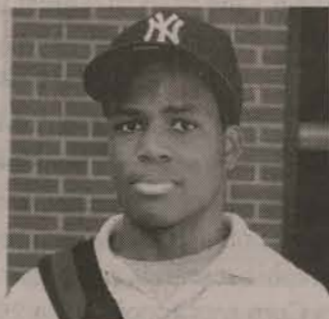
Opponent	Date	Time
♦Jarvis Christian	11/12/2007	5:30p.m.
♦Texas A&M	11/15/2007	6:00p.m.
♦Paul Quinn	12/14/2007	7:00p.m.
	12/15/2007	4:00p.m.



Derek White,
Sys. Admin. CS Dept.
Kentucky: 14 NO: 21
LSU: 28 SEA: 7



Ariane Fletcher,
Computer Science major
Kentucky: 17 NO: 30
LSU: 35 SEA: 14



Erron Clark,
Graphic Design major
Kentucky: 0 NO: 14
LSU: 33 SEA: 28



LaQuanza Joseph,
Pre-Physical Therapy major
Kentucky: 14 NO: 7
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ENTERTAINMENT

"Heartbreak Kid" is R-rated delight

Chris Gray

"The Heartbreak Kid" is an R-rated delight with crude and sometimes vulgar comedy mixed with a touch of sensitivity and heart. Starring Ben Stiller, Jerry Stiller, and Carlos Mencia, it is a one of a kind romantic comedy.

Eddie Cantrow (Ben Stiller) is a hard-working sporting-goods shop owner in San Francisco that has commitment issues and has never been married at the ripe old age of 40. After meeting the alleged girl of his dreams, he marries her. Eddie then finds out, while on their honeymoon, that she is a raging lunatic and the giggles ensue. Eddie is faced with dilemma after dilemma and must ultimately choose between his newly wed wife and a lady he meets while getting away from the insanity.

Ben Stiller ("Zoolander," "Meet the Fockers") once again shows that he is pure comedic gold. From his facial expressions that

screamed confused and lost, to his smooth dialect with co-stars, he is still on top of his comedic game.

I can see where Ben Stiller gets his comedic

lably.

I have never been a big fan of Carlos Mencia ("Mind of Mencia") and even with his performance in this film, that was full of laughs, he still came up short in my funny book. His crude and racial humor did nothing to progress the film.

The Farrelly brothers' ("There's something about Mary," "Kingpin") films have always been funny to me. They have never been life changing films or classic cinematic gems but they have been funny. They are still relying on crude humor and lots of F-bombs to make an audience laugh. Their films take us back to a time when we thought fart jokes were funny. The Farrelly brothers are good at their trade but they only have one trade.

"The Heartbreak Kid" was a genuinely funny film with a romantic twist. It will make you laugh if you're looking for a good one.

LOVE BLOWS



BEN STILLER THE HEARTBREAK KID

savvy from. Jerry Stiller ("Hairspray," "Zoolander") is still making people giggle at the age of 80. The way he enhanced the scene, instead of letting the dialog do it, was amazing. The dialog could be as stale as a 3-day-old piece of toast and he still made me laugh uncontrol-

Jena controversy in song forever

Justin Powell

John Mellencamp has done it again with his new song "Jena", staying true to his form by writing a social commentary on injustice in America. Mellencamp brings the small Louisiana town of Jena into the music spotlight. One attention-grabbing line from the new song is "...take your nooses down." Those are some pretty powerful words.

Commentary on his song from Mellencamp found at: www.mellencamp.com:

"I'm not a journalist, I am a song writer and in the spirit and tradition of the minstrel, I am telling a story in this song.

The story is not, strictly speaking, about the town of Jena or this specific incident but of racism in America.

The song was not written as an indictment of the people of Jena but, rather, as a condemnation of racism, a problem which I've reflected in many songs, a problem that still plagues our country today.

The current trial in Jena is just another reflection of prejudice in our nation. If the song strikes an emotional chord with people and if they examine it and interpret as the will, something will have been accomplished. The aim here is not antagonized but, rather, to catalyze though."

-John Mellencamp



Moby Grape MOBY GRAPE

Derick Jones

Forty years ago, San Francisco natives Moby Grape released their debut title album that set fire to the psychedelic rock scene. This week they've reissued and added a few tracks to their album making it still rock as hard as ever, with groovy funk hits like "Oma-

ha," of course this re-release is a hit. Known as the "triple threat quintet," this mix of country, soul, blues, pop and everything else band has each member play, write, and sing each song. "Bitter Wind" and "Sitting by the Window" are a few slow favorites that really capture the mood of the summer of 1967, with the album originally debuting in June of that year. Each song on this album is unique, just like the band, and with their emphasizing vocals, and captivating lyrics of love and friendship, this album is soon to be back on the charts.



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October 13th @ 6:30pm	516 Soundstage	Porcelain Arms, The Sound and Shape, Zak the Rookie
October 15th @ 9pm	The Jackrabbit Lounge	The Lemurs
October 17th @ 9pm	The Jackrabbit Lounge	Murdervan



Pelican Briefs

Follow Fola

Fola Hammones

The "Biggest Challenge" for me this week is to lose the weight and keep it off. The competitors of this challenge have to weigh-in once a month to see how well they have done in a short period. Well, I hate to say, I lost one pound...yeah. I wish I could have done better. I guess the cheating caught up with me.

A personal trainer would be nice right about now. It's ok though. I will keep the

faith. One major thing I will be working on is cooking at home. By cooking at home I will be able to control what I put in my food. One thing I do miss are nasty, greasy, burgers. While surfing the net, I stumbled upon the Weight Watchers website. The Weight Watchers recipe for Cheeseburgers and fries are much better than any fast food around.

Cheeseburger and Fries

Ingredients

- 2 medium potato(s), about 3/4 lb
- 1/4 tsp cayenne pepper
- 1/2 tsp kosher salt
- 6 oz raw extra lean ground beef
- 1 small onion(s), red, finely chopped
- 1 medium garlic clove(s), crushed
- 2 Tbsp parsley, flat-leaf, finely chopped
- 3 Tbsp dried bread crumbs
- 1 medium egg white(s), beaten lightly
- 2 high-fiber roll(s), 2 oz each
- 4 piece lettuce
- 1 medium tomato(s), sliced
- 1/8 cup low-fat shredded cheddar cheese

Instructions

- Preheat oven to 450°F. Coat a baking sheet with cooking spray.
- Cut potatoes into wedges; boil, steam or microwave until tender. Place wedges, skin side down, on prepared baking sheet; sprinkle with combined pepper and salt. Bake until lightly browned and crispy, about 30 minutes.
- Combine beef, onion, garlic, parsley, breadcrumbs and egg white in a small bowl; shape into 2 patties.
- Cook patties in a nonstick pan over medium heat, turning once, until browned and cooked through. Top each patty with 1 tablespoon cheese, place on baking sheet and bake in already heated oven until cheese is melted.
- Place patties on rolls and top with lettuce and tomato. Serve with potato wedges.

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10/23 @ dark
UC Mall

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10/24 @ 7:00p.m.
UC Theater

Ghost Hunter,
Chris Moon
10/25 @ 7:00p.m.
UC Theater

Freaky Fall Fest '07
10/25 & 10/26 @
10:00a.m.-2:00p.m.
UC Theater

Midnight Madness
"Hoop'n it up"
10/26 @ 10:00p.m.
HPE Gym

Movie night:
Ratatouilli
11/3 @ 6:00p.m.
UC Theater

Movie night:
Freedom Writers
11/8 @ 7:00p.m.
UC Theater

CoffeeHouse presents:
Musician Jason
LeVasseur
11/13 @ 10:30a.m.
UC Port Stage

Overtime Party
after men's basketball
game
11/13
UC lobby

Ask your Co-Pilot

Dear Co-Pilot:

Five years ago I met the most beautiful girl and from that day forth was when I truly felt alive. I never thought that such a beautiful girl would fall in love with such a wretched creature as me, but it seemed fitting to God to bless me with such a miracle. We began to date. I called her butterfly. She called me caterpillar. Everything seemed so heavenly; however, it didn't take long before my demons caused our relationship to crumble. I was the one lying, I was the one cheating, and I definitely had no idea what the word "love" truly meant. However, during those five years she showed me what it truly meant to say the words "I Love You." Do I let my dreams disappear by letting go of our relationship or should I become the man of her dreams and hopefully be forgiven?

Love,
Caterpillar

Dear Caterpillar,

You must ask yourself, "is it worth it?" Do you feel stronger as a human being, or are you cowering away at the sight of love? Have you discussed these issues with your Butterfly? These are all questions that can be raised.

Apparently this girl has you hung up though, and for good reasons. If she's as lovely as you write, then what's stopping you from standing up and telling her your story? You have to remember that love is found in many different places, and even though this one has fizzled five years down the line, you must be strong. If there is any sort of romance or hint of love that can still be found, fight for it. If she doesn't recognize the "would be relationship" anymore, don't persist. It has to happen naturally, and if you push her limits she might push you back.

If you're questioning forgiveness for your un-moralistic ways, chances are she remembers as well. This situation is a rough one that I've seen myself, and it's a hard concept to deal with. Sometimes you just have to close your eyes and breathe, remember the past, and press on with the future. Before being happy with someone else, you must be happy with yourself, never forget that, Caterpillar.

Your Co-Pilot

Check out the Almagest online at
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